

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001	03 MDL 1570 (RCC) ECF Case
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This document relates to: Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda, et al.
02 CV 6977

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

TO THE CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN
DISTRICT OF NEW YORK:

Andrew J. Maloney, Esq., hereby states that Plaintiffs' Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit, and translations of each, filed in the above-captioned matter were served upon defendants the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Republic of Sudan.

Service was effectuated upon the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran as transmitted by the Swiss Foreign Ministry on April 30, 2003 in accordance with the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1608 *et seq.* True and correct copies of the Return of Service and supporting U.S. Department of State documents are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Service was effectuated upon the Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as transmitted by the Embassy of the United States of America, in Khartoum, Sudan on April 29, 2003 in accordance with the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1608 *et seq.* True and correct copies of the Return of Service and supporting U.S. Department of State documents are attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Exhibit C contains my March 24, 2003 transmittal letter to the Clerk of the Court and the

Clerk's April 2003 transmittal to the State Department.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing information contained herein is true and correct.

Dated: New York, New York
September 14, 2005


Andrew J. Maloney, III, Esq. (AM8684)
Kreindler & Kreindler LLP
100 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10017

Sworn to before me this
14 day of September, 2005.


Notary Public

EUGENIE L. MASTERSON
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 30-4719641
Qualified in Nassau County
Term Expires October 31, 2006

EXHIBIT A



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 7, 2003

**Re: Ashton, et al. v. Islamic Republic
of Iran, et al., Case No. 02-CV-
6977 (AGS)**

Dear Mr. McMahon:

I am writing regarding the Court's request for transmittal of a *Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit* to the Islamic Republic of Iran pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1608(a)(4) as a defendant in the referenced case.

The American Embassy in Bern, Switzerland transmitted the *Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit* to the Swiss Foreign Ministry with diplomatic note no. 13533 on April 23, 2003. The Swiss Foreign Ministry transmitted the documents to its Embassy, American Interests Section, in Tehran. The American Interests Section, in turn, transmitted the documents to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran under cover of diplomatic note No. 1013-IE dated April 30, 2003.

A certified copy of the Swiss Foreign Ministry's May 14, 2003 diplomatic note no. 21085 to the American Embassy in Bern is enclosed. The note confirms the Swiss Embassy's delivery of the documents with translations to the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which returned the documents without comment.

A certified copy of all these notes and the documents transmitted to the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs are enclosed herewith in accordance with the procedures established for the implementation of the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Luke Bellocchi, Attorney Adviser, of this office at 202-312-9750.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward A. Betancourt".

Edward A. Betancourt
Director

Office of Policy Review and Interagency Liaison
Bureau of Consular Affairs

CC: Mr. Andrew J. Maloney III, Esq.

Mr. J. Michael McMahon, Clerk,
U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
New York, New York

SPECIFIC AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

Confederation of Switzerland)
Bern, Canton of Bern) SS:
Embassy of the United States of America)

I, Scott D. BOSWELL, a consular officer at the Embassy of the United States at Bern, Switzerland, certify that this is a true copy of Embassy note number 13533 dated April 23, 2003, which was transmitted to the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs on April 23, 2003 for further transmission to the American Interests Section of the Swiss Embassy in Tehran, Iran.



(Signature of Consular Officer)

Scott D. BOSWELL
(Typed name of Consular Officer)

Consul of the United States of America
(Title of Consular Officer)

July 2, 2003
(Date)



Embassy of the United States of America
April 23, 2003

CONS NO. 13533

U R G E N T!

Federal Department of Foreign
Affairs
Foreign Interests Service
Bundesgasse 32
3003 Bern

Subject: JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE: Service of Summons and
Complaint and Notice of Suit Pursuant to the Foreign
Sovereign Immunities Act - Kathleen Ashton, et al. v. Islamic
Republic of Iran, et al.; Civil Case No. 02-CV-6977 (AGS)

REF: ----

The Department of State has requested the delivery of the
enclosed Summons and Complaint and Notice of Suit to the
Islamic Republic of Iran pursuant to the Foreign Sovereign
Immunities Act in the matter of Kathleen Ashton, et al. v.
Islamic Republic of Iran, et al.; Civil Case No. 02-CV-6977
(AGS).

The Embassy is herewith requesting the Swiss Ministry of
Foreign Affairs to transmit the documents to the American
Interests Section of the Swiss Embassy in Tehran. The
American Interests Section should transmit the Summons and
Complaint and Notice of Suit to the Islamic Republic of Iran
under cover of a diplomatic note utilizing the language
provided in the enclosed instruction.

Transmittal should be done in a manner which enables the
Embassy to confirm delivery. The American Interests Section
should execute the certification of the diplomatic note,
which will be forwarded by the Department of State to the
requesting court in the United States.

Enclosed is the appropriate part of a message the Embassy
received from the Department of State as well as two sets of
the Summons and Complaint and Notice of Suit for the Iranian
Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The Embassy would appreciate being informed of the date the American Interests Section of the Swiss Embassy in Tehran receives the documents as well as the date the Interests Section forwards the Summons and Complaint and Notice of Suit to the Iranian authorities.

SPP's speedy assistance is much appreciated.



EMBASSY OF SWITZERLAND

No. 1013-IE

The Embassy of Switzerland, Foreign Interests Section, in Tehran presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran and has the honor to refer the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the lawsuit entitled Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al. Case No. 02-CV-6977 (AGS) in which the Islamic Republic of Iran is a defendant. The case is pending in United States District Court, Southern District of New York. The Embassy herewith transmits a Notice of Suit with Summons and Complaint. This note constitutes service of these documents upon the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran as contemplated in Title 28, United States Code, Section 1608(a)(4).

Under applicable United States law a defendant in a lawsuit must file an answer to the Summons and Complaint or some other responsive pleading within 60 days from the date of service of the Summons and Complaint (i.e. the date of this note) or face the possibility of having final judgment entered against it without the opportunity of presenting evidence or arguments in its behalf. Accordingly, the Foreign Interests Section requests that the enclosed summons be forwarded to the appropriate authority of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran with a view towards taking whatever steps are necessary to answer the Summons and Complaint.

Please note that under United States law and procedure neither the Embassy nor the Department of State is in a position to comment on the present suit. Under the laws of the United States, any jurisdictional or other defense including claims of sovereign immunity must be addressed to the court before which the matter is pending, for which reason it is advisable to consult an attorney in the United States.

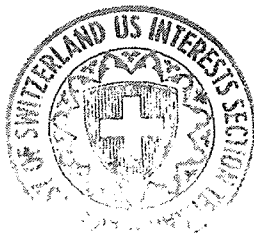
The enclosure includes a copy of pertinent United States laws concerning sovereign immunities.

The Embassy of Switzerland, Foreign Interests Section, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran the assurances of its highest consideration.

Tehran, April 30 (Ordibehesht 10, 1381)

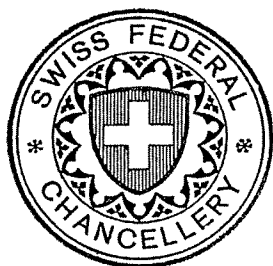
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the
Islamic Republic of Iran
Tehran

I, Ernst Hofstetter, Head of the Foreign Interests Section, Embassy of Switzerland, in Tehran certify that this is a true copy of the Embassy of Switzerland, Foreign Interests Section diplomatic note number 1013-IE dated April 30, 2003, and delivered to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran on April 30, 2003.



Ernst Hofstetter
Head of Foreign Interests Section

Tehran, April 30, 2003



No. 4024
Seen for legalization of
the above signature
Berne, 13. Mai 2003
Swiss Federal Chancellery

Claudia Langenegger

EIDGENÖSSISCHES DEPARTEMENT
FÜR AUSWÄRTIGE ANGELEGENHEITEN

K.252.22 USA/IRAN

Das Eidgenössische Departement für auswärtige Angelegenheiten, bezieht sich auf die Note CONS No. 13533 vom 23. April 2003 betr. die Übermittlung von Gerichtsakten im Fall **Kathleen Ashton** gegen die Islamische Republik Iran und beehrt sich, der Botschaft der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika in der Beilage den ersten und zweiten Satz der Unterlagen zuzustellen, die es vom Dienst für amerikanische Interessen der Schweizerischen Botschaft in Teheran zurückerhalten hat.

- 2 Sätze Gerichtsakten **Kathleen Ashton v. Islamic Republic of Iran, et al.; Civil Case No. 02-CV-6977 AGS**
- "Proof of Service", datiert vom 30. April 2003

Der genannte Dienst hat die oben erwähnten Gerichtsakten samt seiner Note Nr. 1013-IE datiert vom 30. April 2003, **ohne Kommentar seitens des iranischen Aussenministeriums zurückerhalten**. Die Bestätigung des 'proof of service' ist datiert vom 30. April 2003 und die Legalisierung wurde am 13. Mai 2003 in Bern vorgenommen.

Das Departement benützt auch diesen Anlass, um die Botschaft seiner ausgezeichneten Hochachtung zu versichern.

AR

Bern, 14. Mai 2003

Beilagen erwähnt

An die Botschaft der
Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika

B e r n

Informal Embassy translation from the German of SPP Note No. 21085 dated May 14, 2003:

"The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, referring to Embassy's note No. 13533 of April 23, 2003 concerning the transmission of the court documents in the case Kathleen Ashton vs. the Islamic Republic of Iran, has the honor to submit to the Embassy of the United States of America the following enclosures received from the American Interests Section of the Swiss Embassy in Tehran.

- 2 sets of the court documents Kathleen Ashton v. the Islamic Republic of Iran, et al.; Civil Case No. 02-CV-6977 AGS
- "Proof of service" dated April 30, 2003

The Interests Section received back the above mentioned court documents as well as its Note No. 1013-IE dated April 30, 2003 from **the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs with no comments**. The "proof of service" is dated April 30, 2003 and was legalized on May 13, 2003 in Bern.

Complimentary close.

Bern, May 14, 2003

Enclosures as stated

SPECIFIC AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

Confederation of Switzerland)
Bern, Canton of Bern) SS:
Embassy of the United States of America)

I certify that the annexed document is executed by the genuine signature and seal of the following named official who, in an official capacity, is empowered by the laws of Switzerland to execute that document.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Claudia LANGENEGGER
(Typed name of Official who executed the annexed document)


(Signature of Consular Officer)

Scott D. Boswell
(Typed name of Consular Officer)

Consul of the United States of America
(Title of Consular Officer)

July 2, 2003
(Date)

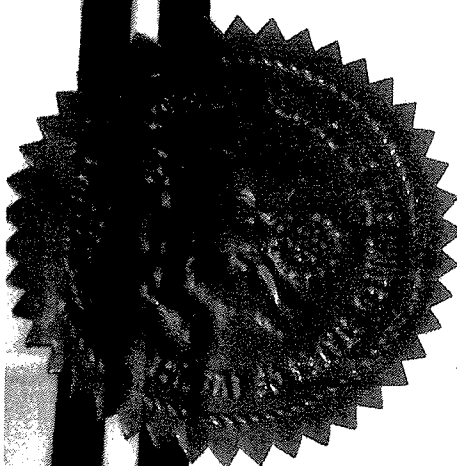


EXHIBIT B



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 15, 2003

**Re: Kathleen Ashton, et al. v.
Republic of Sudan, et al.,
Case No. 02-CV-06977
(AGS).**

Dear Mr. McMahon:

I am writing regarding the Court's request for transmittal of a *Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit* to the Republic of Sudan pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1608(a)(4) as a defendant in the referenced case.

The American Embassy in Khartoum, Republic of Sudan, transmitted the *Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit* with diplomatic note No. MANG/04/29/2003/212, dated April 29, 2003, to the Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

A certified copy of the diplomatic note and a copy of the documents transmitted to the Sudanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs are enclosed herewith in accordance with the procedures established for the implementation of the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Luke Bellocchi, Attorney Adviser, in this office at (202) 312-9750.

Sincerely,

Edward A. Betancourt

Edward A. Betancourt

Director

Office of Policy Review and Interagency Liaison
Bureau of Consular Affairs

CC: Mr. Andrew J. Maloney, Esq.

Mr. J. Michael McMahon, Clerk
U.S. District Court (SDNY)
New York, New York



Embassy of the United States of America

Khartoum, Sudan

I, Fredric Stern, a consular officer at the U.S. Embassy of Khartoum,
Sudan, certify that this is a true copy of diplomatic note number
MANG/04/29/2003/212 dated April 29, 2003, which was transmitted to
the Foreign Ministry of Sudan on April 29, 2003.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F. W. Stern".



April 29, 2003

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Khartoum, Sudan

MANG/04/29/2003/212

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Sudan and has the honor to refer the Foreign Ministry of the Republic of Sudan to the lawsuit entitled ASHTON, ET AL. V. AL QAEDA ISLAMIC ARMY, REPUBLIC OF SUDAN, ET AL., CASE NO. 02-CV-6977 (AGS), in which Sudan is a defendant. The case is pending in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Embassy herewith transmits a Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit. This note conforms with the actions contemplated in Title 28, United States Code, Section 1608.

Under applicable United States law a defendant in a lawsuit must respond to the Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit within sixty (60) days or face the possibility of having final judgment entered against it without the opportunity of presenting evidence or arguments in its behalf. Accordingly, the United States Embassy requests that the enclosed Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit be forwarded to the appropriate authority of Sudan with a view toward taking whatever steps are necessary to respond to the Summons, Complaint and Notice of Suit.

Please note that under United States law and procedure, neither the Embassy nor the U.S. Department of State is in a position to comment on the present suit. Under the laws of the United States, any jurisdictional or other defense including claims of sovereign immunity must be addressed to the court before which the matter is pending, for which reason it is advisable to consult an attorney in the United States.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Sudan the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Embassy of the United States of America
Khartoum, April 29, 2003

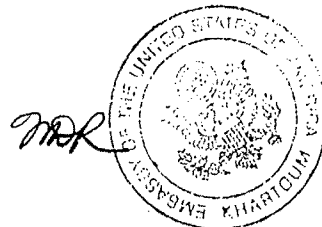


EXHIBIT C



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Francis G. Fleming

Paul S. Edelman

Milton G. Sincoff

Andrew J. Maloney, III

Counsel

March 24, 2003

BY HAND

James M. Parkinson

Clerk of the Court

United States District Court

Southern District of New York

500 Pearl Street

New York, NY 10007-1312

**Re: Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.
02 CV 6977(AGS)**

Dear Mr. Parkinson:

We represent several hundred death cases and many more personal injury cases resulting from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Judge Schwartz consolidated *Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 6977(AGS)), *Beyer, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 6978(AGS)), *Burlingame, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7230(AGS)), *Bauer, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7236(AGS)), *Schneider, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7209(AGS)), and *Mayore Estates, LLC, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7214(AGS)) [this includes business and property damage cases] into one action before him and appointed James P. Kreindler liaison counsel for the plaintiffs (see attached). Judge Schwartz then ordered us to prepare and file a Consolidated Master Complaint known as (*Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* 02 CV 6977(AGS)).

We are attempting to serve various defendants through traditional means, including the States of Iraq, Sudan and Iran, their political subdivisions, instrumentalities, agents, servants and employees. All three of these States are listed by the United States as State Sponsors of terrorism. Plaintiffs have alleged that each of them have conspired with Al Qaeda and others to attack the United States and its citizens, including the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

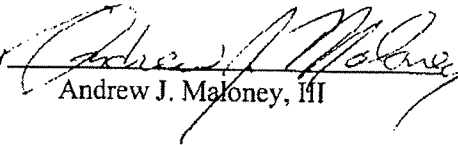
Kreindler & Kreindler
March 26, 2003
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Enclosed please find two copies of the Notice of Suit (pursuant to 22 C.F.R. § 93.2) and the Summonses and Complaints in English and Farsi to be served on the Republic of Iran. Please forward them to the Secretary of State, Colin Powell, in Washington, D.C. pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1608(a)(4), to the attention of the Director of Special Consular Services - in order for the Secretary to transmit one copy of the papers through diplomatic channels to the State of Iran, whose official language is Farsi.

Please ensure that the State Department sends a certified copy of the diplomatic note to you indicating when the papers were transmitted and provide same to me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

KREINDLER & KREINDLER

By 
Andrew J. Maloney, III

AJM/gm
Enclosures

United States District Court

Southern

District of

New York

KATHLEEN ASHTON, et al.

Plaintiffs,

CONSOLIDATED

MASTER COMPLAINT

v.

AL QAEDA ISLAMIC ARMY, et al.

CASE NUMBER: 02 CV 6977 (AGS)

Defendants.

To: SEE CAPTION ATTACHED

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court and serve upon

PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY (name and address)

KREINDLER & KREINDLER
100 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017
(212) 687-8181

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 20 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

J. MICHAEL McMAHON

CLERK

Melanie L. Lopez

BY DEPUTY CLERK

MAR 16 2003

DATE

NOTICE OF SUIT

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1608 22 C.F.R. § 93.2

1. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that legal actions have been commenced against you in the United States District court for the Southern District of New York known as *Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 6977(AGS)), *Beyer, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 6978(AGS)), *Burlingame, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7230(AGS)), *Bauer, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7236(AGS)), *Schneider, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7209(AGS)), and *Mayore Estates, LLC, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 7214(AGS)) and have been consolidated as *Ashton, et al. v. Al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al.* (02 CV 6977(AGS)) against the Islamic Republic of Iran, Islamic Revolutionary Guard ("Irgc") Iranian Ministry of Intelligence And Security ("Mois"), Lashkar Redayan-E-Islami (Islamic Martyrs Brigade), Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Spiritual Leader of Iran, Momammed Mohammadi Rayshahri, special advisor to Spiritual Leader, Qorban Ali Najaf-Abadi, Minister of Intelligence, Ali Falahyan, Director of Public Intelligence, General Ali Blokian, former advisor to Hezbollah Ahmad Salah (Salim), member of committee of three of Int'l Hezbollah, Mahdi Chamran Savehi, director of International, Hezbollah and Iranian External Intelligence chief, General Mohsen Reza'i, Iranian security director, Hoseyn Shaykh Ol-eslam, former Assistant Foreign Minister, General Mohsen Reza'i, former commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) who is now in charge of the reorganization of Iran's security apparatus; General Yahya Rahim Safavi, head of the IRGC; Information Minister Qorban 'Ali Najaf 'Abadi; Former minister 'Ali Falahyan; Mohammed Mohammadi Rayshahri, special adviser to Iran's supreme leader Ali Khamene'i; Hoseyn Shaykh Ol-Eslam, former assistant foreign minister, and others. The presiding Judge is the Honorable Allen G. Schwartz and the consolidated docket number is 02 CV 6977(AGS).

2. The Republic of Iran is the foreign state concerned and its political subdivisions as described above, as well as the Islamic Republic of Iran, Islamic Revolutionary Guard ("Irgc") Iranian Ministry of Intelligence And Security ("Mois"), Lashkar Redayan-E-Islami (Islamic Martyrs Brigade), Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Spiritual Leader of Iran, Momammed Mohammadi Rayshahri, special advisor to Spiritual Leader, Qorban Ali Najaf-Abadi, Minister of Intelligence, Ali Falahyan, Director of Public Intelligence, General Ali Blokian, former advisor to Hezbollah Ahmad Salah (Salim), member of committee of three of Int'l Hezbollah, Mahdi Chamran Savehi, director of International, Hezbollah and Iranian External Intelligence chief, General Mohsen Reza'i, Iranian security director, Hoseyn Shaykh Ol-eslam, former Assistant Foreign Minister, General Mohsen Reza'i, former commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) who is now in charge of the reorganization of Iran's security apparatus; General Yahya Rahim Safavi, head of the IRGC; Information Minister Qorban 'Ali Najaf 'Abadi; Former minister 'Ali Falahyan; Mohammed Mohammadi Rayshahri, special adviser to Iran's supreme leader Ali Khamene'i; Hoseyn Shaykh Ol-Eslam, former assistant foreign minister, and others. and others as described above in their individual capacities as well as in their capacity as agents, servants, and employees of the Iran government as described above.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KATTHLEEN ASHTON, et al,

Plaintiffs,

V.

AL QUAEDA ISLAMIC ARMY, et al,

Defendants.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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02 CV 6977 (AGS)

I, J. MICHAEL MCMAHON, CLERK OF COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON 2nd DAY OF April, 2003 I SERVED THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT, NOTICE OF SUIT AND AFFIDAVIT FROM THE THE TRANSLATOR PURSUANT TO THE FOREIGN SOVEREIGN IMMUNITIES ACT (28 U.S.C § 1608(A)(4)) FILED AND ISSUED HEREIN ON THE 6TH DAY OF March 2003 BY MAILING BY REGISTERED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, AT THE UNITED STATES POST OFFICE, CHINATOWN STATION, NEW YORK, N.Y., A COPY OF EACH THEREOF, SECURELY ENCLOSED IN A POST-PAID WRAPPER ADDRESSED TO:

SEE ATTACHED FOR LISTING OF DEFENDANTS

THAT ANNEXED TO THE ORIGINAL HEREOF IS REGISTERED MAIL RECEIPT(S)

7002 2510 0007 2575 4385 # _____
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7002 0510 0003 9500 4675 # _____

(CHINATOWN STATION) THAT WAS ISSUED AT MY REQUEST AS AFOREMENTIONED,

J. Michael McMahon

CLERK

DATED: NEW YORK, N.Y.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE CLERK
500 PEARL STREET
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007

April 2, 2003

J. MICHAEL MCMAHON
CLERK

United States Department of State
Office of Citizens Consular Services
2201 "C" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Re: Ashton, et al. v. AlQaeda Islamic Army, et al.
02 Cv. 6977 (AGS)

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find one copy of each of the following documents in the above-referenced case. I am hereby requesting that you serve them upon:

Islamic Republic of Iran
2209 Wisconsin Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20007

Summons
Complaint
Notice of Suit
Order
Affidavit of the Translator

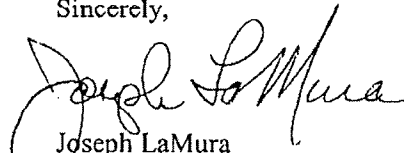
The above-referenced documents have been translated into Farsi, Iran's official language.

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There is no arrangement for service by the and between Plaintiffs and with Defendants; no special arrangement exists for delivery of Summons and Complaint in accordance applicable international convention and service could not be made within thirty days under Para, 3 of § 1608(a)(4).

If there are any questions, you may contact me at (212) 805-0140

Sincerely,



Joseph LaMura
Chief Deputy

U.S. Postal Service

CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT

(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

SENDING COMPLETES THIS SECTION

1. Article Addressed to:

A.S. Dept of state
Office of Citizens Consular
SVC.
2201 "C" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

2. Article No. (Transfer): 7001 2510 0007 2575 6365

3. Service Type

☒ Certified Mail ☐ Express Mail
☒ Registered ☐ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ Insured Mail ☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) ☐ Yes

5. Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.

6. Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.

7. Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

A. Signature *[Signature]* ☐ Address only

B. Received by (Print Name) *[Signature]* ☐ Address only

C. Date of Delivery *4/18/83*

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? ☐ Yes
If YES, enter delivery address below: ☐ No

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U.S. Postal Service
CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT
(Domestic Mail Only; No Insurance Coverage Provided)

WASHINGTON, DC 20520

Postage	\$ 6.30	UNIT ID: 0004
Certified Fee	2.30	
Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	1.75	
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)		
Total Postage & Fees	\$ 10.35	04/02/03

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Clerk: KJC6FK

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U.S. Dept of State
 Street, Apt. No.,
 or PO Box No. **Office of Citizens Consulate**
 City, State, ZIP+4 **20520-5500**
Wash., D.C. 20520

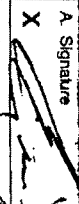
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1. Article Addressed to:
U.S. Dept State
Office of Citizens Consular Serv
3801 "C" Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20520

2. Article Number
(Transfer from s)
7002 0510 0003 9500 4675

3. Service Type
☒ Certified Mail
☐ Registered
☐ Insured Mail
☐ Express Mail
☐ Return Receipt for Merchandise
☐ C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery* (Extra Fee)
☐ Yes

5. Signature

☐ Agent
☐ Addressee

6. Received by (Print Name)
[illegible]
Date of Delivery
4/8/03

7. Is delivery address different from item 17?
If YES, enter delivery address below:
☐ No
☒ Yes

8. Items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete:
a. Restricted Delivery is desired.
b. Your name and address on the reverse
c. That we can return the card to you
d. Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece,
or on the front if space permits.

PS Form 3811, August 2001 Domestic Return Receipt